

**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR  
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PATENT APPLICATION  
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Attorney Docket Number 2021-045

First Named Inventor Jack D. McNeal

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Application Number /

Filing Date January 30, 2002

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As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

SAMPLE LEVEL DETECTION SYSTEM

(Title of the Invention)

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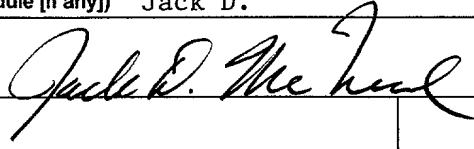
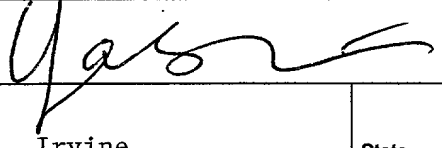
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